

P.O.P. Monthly News

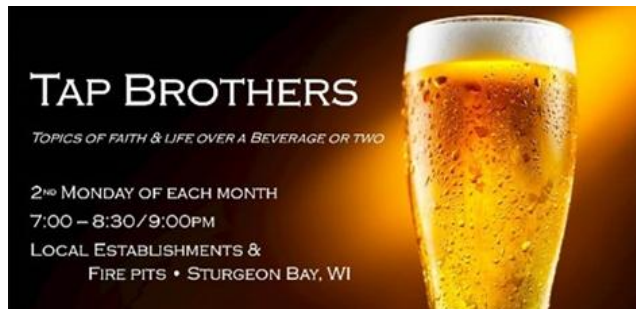
May 7, 2025

SUMMER STUDY Part 1: Esther – The

Preservation of the Jews – This study will meet on Tuesdays at 10:00am or Thursdays at 6:30 pm beginning on June 10/12 and running through July 8/10. Packets/schedule are available at the Information Table in the Coffee House.

THE AFTER-WORSHIP continues Sundays:

- May 11: Fellowship & Happy Mother's Day! 
- May 18: Q&A w/ Pastor James (CR-A)
- May 25: Q&A w/ Pastor James (CR-A)
- June 1: Q&A w/ Pastor James (CR-A)



TAP BROTHERS will meet May 12, 2025 @ 7:00pm, Carl Rauch's Blazing Pit of Hellfire (6542 Barrick Rd. Sturgeon Bay). Food: Chicken Legs w/ sauces. Please bring a side to share. Topic: "Silly Debates," a light-hearted discussion for a change of pace.

SAVE-THE-DATE ACTIVITIES

- May 16 – Swing into Spring @ 6:00pm
- June 1 – Graduate Sunday during Sunday Worship
- June 8 – Shavuot/Pentecost
- June 10 – July 8 Bible Study – Esther: The Preservation of the Jews
- June 22 – Congregational Anniversary Barbecue after worship
- July 29 – August 19 Bible Study – Ezra: Restoration and Reformation

COMMUNITY DINNER @ 5:30pm

MAY 15 – served by Team A:

- * Thick and Hearty Pea Soup
- * Salad and Dinner Rolls
- * Dessert TBD
- * Beverages: Coffee, Water, and Lemonade

There are 3 ways to make your reservation:

Click <https://bit.ly/ComDin>

Call church office at 920.743.7750 or

Text 920.226.2868 (Your name & # attending)

MAY 29 – served by Team B:

- * Homemade Mac & Cheese
- * Loaded Baked Beans
- * Banana Cake
- * Beverages: Coffee, Water, and Soda

JUNE 5 – served by Team C:

- * Chilled Soba Salad
- * Sesame Shrimp
- * Black Sesame Matcha Cookies
- * Beverages: Coffee, Water, and Lemonade

YOUTH GROUP (7th-12th): Meets the 1st/3rd Wednesdays of each month @ 6:30pm

May 7 – Snacks, Games, and Concert –
*Meet at Sturgeon Bay High School at 6:15pm,
and we'll hang out before attending the Band
Concert at 7:00pm*

May 21 – Snacks, Devotion, Games/Activity

June 4 – Snacks, Devotion, Games/Activity

June 18 – Snacks, Devotion, Games/Activity

Youth Gathering: July 17-23, 2025

Gathering Report: July 27 (Q & A w/
Students)

UPCOMING EVENTS:



THE MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE - Sponsored by the Door County Right to Life Chapter is Sunday, May 11. Your suggested donation of \$2/rose helps protect the lives of those with no voice – not only the unborn, but also the disabled and the elderly. Long-stemmed red roses will be available in the Coffee House after the worship service to help you honor a mother, grandmother, or to brighten the day of someone special to you. The Red Rose symbolizes Life and for generations has been a sign of Love.

SWING INTO SPRING – Friday, May 16 – Swing into Spring! Friday, May 16, is a great night for dining out, enjoying live music, and dancing!

Swing into Spring is held at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church – 1756 Michigan St in Sturgeon Bay. Food, consisting of mediterranean-themed soup, salad, heavy appetizers, and dessert will be prepared by Lucas Lindow. Live music is provided by the Swingin' Door Big Band.

Doors open at 5:45pm, with the starters served at 6:00pm. The heavy apps will be available at 6:30pm, which is when the Big Band will begin their 1½-hour set.

Tickets are sold ahead of time: \$35/each, or a table of 6 for \$180. This is a fundraiser for the Youth Activities associated with Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. This includes mission trips, youth gatherings, camp, and other "extras" outside of regular monthly programming.

The Swingin' Door Big Band is a group of over 20 talented musicians and vocalists, directed by Jason Palmer, and features the sounds of a 1930s style big band, with music by Duke Ellington, Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman and more.

The public is invited to dress up, get fancy, and be ready to dance! Call the church office: 920.743.7750 or email office@princeofpeacesb.com with any questions or to order your meal tickets. You may also order online at <http://bit.ly/swing2023>

Thrivent Financial supports this event through their Action Team program.



PASTOR JAMES GOMEZ 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY at Prince of Peace!!
Time to celebrate! Pastor Gomez was installed at Prince of Peace on May 17, 2015. In recognition of his ten-year anniversary, please **join us for fellowship and refreshments** following the **Sunday, May 18** service. God has truly blessed us with an amazing shepherd who has made a positive spiritual impact on our church and community. We are grateful to have Pastor and Michelle with us for the past ten years and look forward to many more years to come!
Thank you!

Life Together Committee

GRADUATE SUNDAY/SPECIAL EDITION NEWSLETTER – 2025 HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE

GRADUATES: We sent out an email shortly after Easter soliciting info and a beautiful photo of your graduate to include in a special edition newsletter May 23. Graduate Sunday is set for June 1. (May 31 is SBHS Commencement). Be on the lookout!

CONGREGATIONAL ANNIVERSARY BARBECUE – There is a celebratory grill out planned for Sunday June 22 after worship. Join your fellow Prince of Peacers marking the church's 51st anniversary!

ELDER BOARD – Your church elders include Gary Stangland (Head Elder), Tom Strong, Pete Hansen, Luis Beltran, Bob Grigsby, and Glenn Ocock.

SUPPLY ORDERING – The secretary extraordinaire has created a spreadsheet for church supply/needs order requests. It is in the mailbox outside the office. This way there is a centralized place for requests and tracking and less chance of loose notes/verbal inquiries getting lost in the mix. Believe it or not, the office can get pretty busy!

2025 RECORD OF OFFERINGS

The Weekly Financial Status shows “Total Budgeted Money” received each week. The weekly Designated Funds are recorded and made available upon request.

	WEEKLY (actual)	YTD (actual): as of May 4, 2025
GIVING	\$5,643.68	\$79,214.72
	WEEKLY (needed)	YTD (needed)
BUDGET	\$4,914.48	\$88,460.64

APRIL RECAP:



LIVING LAST

SUPPER – The story of the Last Supper came to life in a very special way at Prince of Peace featuring monologues from local community actors and choral music from the Door County Community Choir. This

presentation provided a timely and powerful reminder of the true gravity of Easter and how our salvation had to be triggered by one final, monumental act of betrayal.

EASTER CANDY DRIVE –



Bay View Lutheran Church reached out to us last month asking Prince of Peace to join them and other local churches in doing a candy/toy drive to help create Easter baskets for local youth serviced through CAP. Thank you so much for helping make this a success and following is the thank you we received from Paula, who spearheaded this effort:

Hello!

Mission accomplished! 120 Easter gift bags, plus @ 24 extra Ziploc baggies full of goodies, plus extra boxes of toys and other surprises, were all delivered to the CAP food pantry today. Luke 6:38: "...good measure, shaken together and running over..."

I made a little sign which CAP will display saying the goodies came with love from Bay View, United Methodist, and Prince of Peace Churches.

I've attached a couple photos, I hope they convey something of your open-hearted generosity. Have a blessed Holy Week, and a Happy Easter!

Love, Paula Wendland
Bay View Service Committee

COMMUNITY:

DOOR COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY is seeking meal and or/snacks donations for their volunteer build crew (about 10-12 people) working on a new home on N. 19th Place in Sturgeon Bay during the month of May. Please contact Carley at 920.743.2869 ext. 101 or email at admin@doorhabitat.org if you wish to help meet this need.

MATCHUP DOOR COUNTY -

Are you seeking meaningful part-time work that aligns with your skills and interests?

The MatchUp Door County program connects experienced individuals with local businesses in need of reliable team members. In 2024, MatchUp successfully placed 22 job seekers across 55 businesses. Older adults in the program found purpose, social interaction, and a sense of community connection through the program. To explore opportunities tailored to your experience, contact Program Coordinator Eden DeGenova at matchupdc@gmail.com, call 920-495-0660 or visit dogooddoorcounty.org/matchup for more information.

BEJA SHRINE CIRCUS has provided Prince of Peace with 35 BOGO child tickets for their Saturday May 17 (11am, 3pm, 7pm) and Sunday May 18 (1pm, 5pm) at the Resch Center in Green Bay. More information is posted on the Community Board at church, or you can click the link [here](#). Tickets are available at the Information Desk in the Coffee House.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES –



Sturgeon Bay Moravian Church
June 9 –13, 2025



First Baptist Church of Sturgeon Bay
June 16-20, 2025



St. Peter's Lutheran Church
July 14-18, 2025



Prince of Peace
Lutheran Church
July 25 & August 8, 2025

Sturgeon Bay Moravian Church VBS registration:

<https://www.sbmoravian.org/online-vacation-bible-school>

First Baptist Church of Sturgeon Bay VBS registration:

tinyurl.com/VBSatFBC2025

St. Peter's Lutheran Church VBS registration:

https://www.stpeterslutheran.net/_files/ugd/fde0a4_df6136c4b3d9428f815688586b29b34c.pdf

KIDDIE POOL KICKBALL – Grab a friend and enjoy a crazy-fun time playing kickball with a twist!! Kiddie Pool Kickball includes slip-and-slide running paths and kiddie pool bases. This event is free and open to all children/youth who are entering 2nd grade through adults. Hosted by Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on the corner of Michigan St. and 18th Ave, Sturgeon Bay (the playing field will be on the grassy field behind the church, along 18th Ave). Please join us this summer: Friday, July 5; and Friday, August 9. **12:00 - 1:00pm for children entering 2nd - 5th grade **1:15 - 2:15pm for youth entering 6th - 12th grade ****Exceptions may be made for each of these levels**** A simple grab-and-go lunch (sandwich/hot dog, chips, fruit, dessert, and beverage) will be available from Noon – 2:00. Be sure to bring a towel and clothes you don't mind getting wet!! Permission from parent is required before participation – forms are available now and at the check-in table, or we can talk with parents via phone to confirm. Parents are encouraged to stay and watch the fun!! Volunteers are needed for check-in table, snack tables, crowd control, etc. Please contact the church office to volunteer help or with any questions.

Prince of Peace Kiddie Pool Kickball registration:

<https://forms.gle/qFFAXDWHAU7V8Gor6>



SUMMER BIBLE STUDY, SESSION 1 – Esther: The Preservation of the Jews.

Have you bought it yet? You know, the paperback by John Grisham or Tom Clancy that you plan to read this summer at the beach or on the front porch of the cabin you always rent someplace up north.

How about adding another thriller to your summer reading list? The Old Testament book of Esther will be the focus of Pastor Gomez's next Bible study series. It has all the drama, intrigue, and suspense of any Grisham or Clancy novel. The hero – sorry, *heroine* – is Queen Esther. You will learn how she saved thousands of lives and is an amazing link to the lineage

of the Jewish nation.

Expand your biblical knowledge while also getting to know your fellow Prince of Peace members a little better. Classes are on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 (starting 6/10) and Thursday evenings at 6:30 (starting 6/12). Bible study packets and schedules are available at the Information Table in the Coffee House.



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on our YouTube Channel: BaypopLC